Studies' in Jinnah House to put that historic building to a truly historic use?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI P. K. THUNGON): (a) Government of Pakistan has made a request for lease of this property for their consulate General. Government have conveyed to Pakistan that their request has not been acceded to.

(b) There is no such proposal under consideration of the Government.

Status of Jinnah House at Bomyay

6182. SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) what is the present status of Jinnah House at Bombay;

(b) whether it has been treated as an avacue property, if so, what are the details in this regard;

(c) if not, what are the reasons therefor;

(d) how Jinnah House has been used by Government since partition;

(e) which authority maintained the Jinnah House and what is the total expenditure incurred so far on its maintenance;

(f) whether Government have received any representation from the Government of Pakistan about Jinnah House; if so, what are the details thereof; and

(g) how Government propose to dispose it of?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI P. K. THUNGON): (a) At present the building is lying vacant.

(b) to (d) Yes, Sir. Since the year 1957, when the building was taken over by the Ministry of Urban Development from the Deptt. of Rehabilitation, it was on lease with the British High Commission and after its vacation by the Commission in 1982, the building is lying vacant.

(e) The expenditure incurred by the CPWD on maintenance of the building including special repairs since 1984-85 is Rs. 10,77,356.

(f) The request of the Government of Pakistan for lease of this building for use by their Counsul General in Bombay has not been agreed to. The Government of Pakistan have been informed accordingly.

(g) No decison has been taken by the Government to dispose of the Jinnah House.

बान और सवड़ नदी पर बांध का निर्माण

6183. **श्री राघवजी :** क्या जल संसाधन मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि मध्य प्रदेश की सरकार ने सिंचाई उद्देश्यों के लिए विदिशा जिले में बान और सवड़ नदी पर बांध बनाये जाने संबंधी कोई प्रस्ताव भेजा था ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो उक्त प्रस्ताव के संबंध में अद्यतन स्थिति क्या है; और

(ग) क्या केन्द्रीय सरकार इस तथ्य को ध्यान में रखते हुए कि विदिशा जिले में सिंचाई के अन्तर्गत आने वाले क्षेत्र की प्रतिशतता बहुत ही कम है उक्त परियोजना की मंजूरी देने में आयी बाधाओं को दूर करने के लिए कदम उठायेगी ?

शहरी विकास मंत्रालय तथा जल संसाधन मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री पी. के. थुंगन) : (क) और (ख) बाह और सागर सिंचाई परियोजनाओं को योजना आयोग द्वारा मूल रूप से 5/80 में क्रमश: 1398 करोड़ रुपए तथा 10.63 करोड़ रुपए की अनुमानित लागत पर मूल रूप से स्वीकृत किया गया था। इनसे सालाना क्रमश: 11048 हेक्टेयर और 9713 हेक्टेयर क्षेत्र की सिंचाई की परिकल्पना है।

36.16 करोड़ रुपए की अनुमानित लागत पर बाह परियोजना का संशोधित प्रस्ताव 3/84 में केन्द्रीय जल आयोग में प्राप्त हुआ था । इससे 19863 हेक्टेयर क्षेत्र की सालाना सिंचाई करने की परिकल्पना है । केन्द्रीय जल आयोग में जांच के बाद परियोजना को 29.92 करोड़ रुपए की अनुमानित लागत पर 4/88 में इस शर्त पर परामर्शदात्री समिति द्वारा स्वीकार्य पाया गया था कि राज्य सरकार द्वारा राज्य वित्त विभाग की सहमति तथा पर्यावरणीय/वन स्वीकृतियां प्राप्त कर ली जाएं । सलाहकार समिति की टिप्पणियों की अनुपालना न किये जाने के कारण परियोजना को 8/91 में राज्य को लौटा दिया गया ।

संशोधित सागर परियोजना का जल विज्ञान अध्याय मई, 1984 में केंद्रीय जल आयोग में प्राप्त हुआ था । जल विज्ञान अध्याय पर केंद्रीय जल आयोग की टिप्पणियों को ध्यान में रखते हुए राज्य सरकार द्वारा विस्तृत परियोजना रिपोर्ट प्रस्तुत की जानी है ।

(ग) परियोजना की स्वीकृति इस बात पर निर्भर करती है कि राज्य सरकार कितनी जल्दी केन्द्रीय मूल्यांकन अभिकरणों की टिप्पणियों की अनुपालना करती है और पर्यावरणीय/वन/पुनर्वास और पुर्नस्थापना स्वीकृतियां, यथास्थिति, प्राप्त करती है ।

Ground water level in Gujarat

6184. SHRI ANANTRAY DEVSHANKER DAVE: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) wheher it is a fact that ground water level is going down day-by-day in Gujarat State for irrigation purpose;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) wheher Government have formulated any plan to get water from other sources for irrigation purposes; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI P. K. THUNGON): (a) No, Sir. However fall in the level of ground water has been observed in certain parts of the State.

(b) As per the observations made by the Central Ground Water Board in January, 1994 fall of 2 to 4 metres and more than 4 metres in the level of ground water in relation to similar observations made in January, 1993 was observed in certain parts of the Districts of Kuchch, Jamnagar, Rajkot, Junagarh, Amreli, Bhavnagar and Banaskhantha.

(c) and (d) Yes, Sir. In order to tap the surface water resources, also for irrigation purposes the State Government is having 9 major, 25 medium and 12 extension/renovation/modernisation ongoing projects.

Over extraction of ground water

6185. SHRI M. A. BABY: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of a report prepared by a group of researchers of Delhi University which has been published in the State of the World, 1994 (the annual report of the World Watch Institute, Washington) regarding the alarming situation developing in Ludhiana District as a result of over extraction of ground water i.e. 30 per cent higher than replenishment;

(b) the strategies being worked out by Government to prevent any further calamity in water resource management and the details thereof in response to each main finding of the report?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI P. K. THUNGON): (a) The Government has not come across the report prepared by a group of researchers of Delhi University published in the State of World